

Conversion of medm Screens to CSS-BOY, caQtDM, and edm using Makefiles

- medm is the only EPICS display manager with conversion tools to all of the other popular display managers (CSS-BOY, caQtDM, edm)
- Goals:
 - Module developers can create/edit an medm file and type `make` to automatically convert to other OPI formats producing *good-looking, fully-functional* displays
 - Eliminate the need for even minor edits/tweaks.

Solution

- Added `yyyApp/op/Makefile`.
 - Runs the conversion tools to convert the `medm adl` files to `edl` for `edm`, `ui` for `caQtDM`, and `opi` for `CSS-BOY`.
- `RULES_OPI` file was added to `synApps/support/configure` to support this (<https://github.com/epics-synApps/configure>).
 - If `RULES_OPI` file is not found the `Makefile` does nothing.
- If the `RULES_OPI` file is found then a `CONFIG_SITE` file in `synApps/configure` or in `EPICS` base must define these symbols:
 - **ADL2EDL**: path to `adl2edl` for `edm`
 - **ADL2UI**: path to `adl2ui` for `caQtDM`
 - **CSS**: path to `css`. Must be a recent version that supports the command

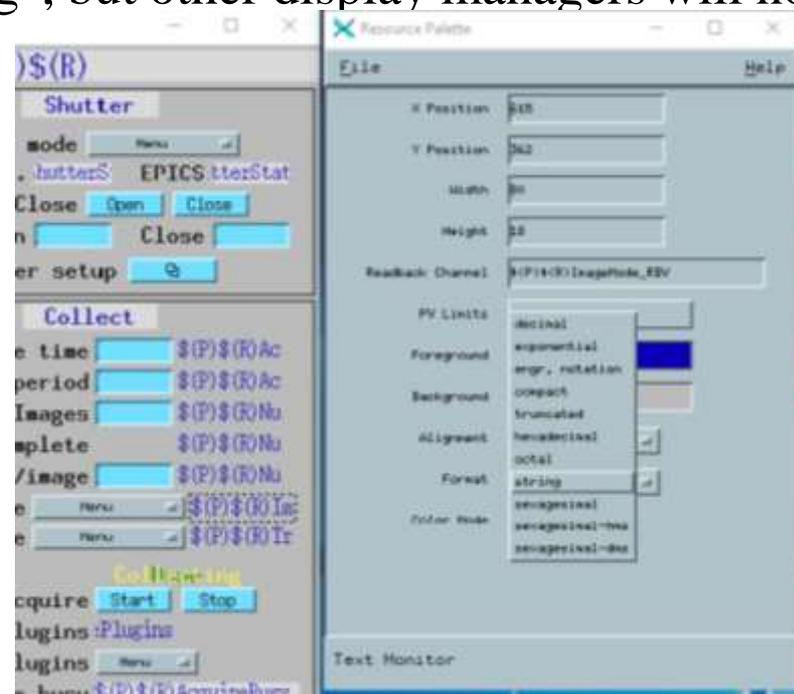
```
css -nosplash -application org.csstudio.opibuilder.adl2boy.application
```

Solution

- op/edl/autoconvert, op/ui/autoconvert, and op/opi/autoconvert directories contain new conversions of all of the medm files.
- edl, ui, and opi directories should contain only manually converted and edited files.
 - Many of the files in these directories have been removed, either because they were actually old autoconverted files, or because they are obsolete and the new autoconverted files are better.
- areaDetector, asyn, and many synApps modules now have yyyApp/op/Makefile and autoconvert directories.
 - Need to complete the job of adding to all synApps modules

medm File Improvements

- Good conversion requires a good medm adl file
- Text graphics widget sizes are set to the actual size of the text.
 - medm will display text outside the widget if it is not large enough, but other display managers will not.
- Text update widgets set to the correct datatype.
 - medm will display an enum widget as a string even if the datatype is set to "decimal" rather than "string", but other display managers will not.



CSS-BOY

- Previously CSS provided an adl to opi conversion too, but only available from the GUI
- Kay Kasemir added a command line option to do the conversion:

```
css -nosplash -application org.csstudio.opibuilder.adl2boy.application
```

- Kay also made a number of fixes to the conversion tool and to CSS-BOY itself to greatly improve the quality of the conversion and display.
- Works with parallel make, but there is a separate instance of CSS for each adl file to be converted.
 - Must limit with `-jN` ($N \sim 8$) to prevent overloading system.
 - CSS supports converting multiple files with single command, need to see if `RULES_OPI` could be changed to use this feature

medm

Simulation Detector - 13SIM1:cam1

Setup

asyn port: SIM1
EPICS name: 13SIM1:cam1
Manufacturer: Simulated detector
Model: Basic simulator
Serial number: No serial number
Firmware version: No firmware
SDK version: 2.7.0
Driver version: 2.7.0
ADCore version: 3.3.0

Connected

Connection:
Debugging:

Shutter

Shutter mode:
Status: Det. EPICS:
Open/Close:
Delay: Open 0.000 Close 0.000
EPICS shutter setup:

Collect

Exposure time: 0.001 0.001
Acquire period: 0.010 0.010
Images: 5 5
Images complete: 401882
Exp./image: 1 1
Image mode:
Trigger mode:

Acquire:
active plugins: 1011
Wait for plugins:
Acquire busy:
Detector state:
Time remaining: 0.000
Image counter: 0 406788
Image rate: 99.00
Array callbacks:

Attributes

File:
Macros:
Status:

Buffers

Buffers used: 1018
Buffers alloc/free: 1048 30
Memory max/used (MB): 0.0 1216.0
Buffer & memory polling:

Readout

	X	Y
Sensor size	1024	1024
Binning	1	1
Region start	0	0
Region size	1024	1024
Reverse	No	No
Image size	1024	1024
Image size (bytes)	1048576	
Gain	1.000	1.000
Data type	<input type="button" value="UInt8"/>	<input type="button" value="UInt8"/>
Color mode	<input type="button" value="None"/>	<input type="button" value="Mono"/>

Simulation setup:

Plugins

Stats:

CSS-BOY

Simulation Detector - 13SIM1:cam1

Setup

asyn port: SIM1
EPICS name: 13SIM1:cam1
Manufacturer: Simulated detector
Model: Basic simulator
Serial number: No serial number
Firmware version: No firmware
SDK version: 2.7.0
Driver version: 2.7.0
ADCore version: 3.3.0

Connected

Connection:
Debugging:

Shutter

Shutter mode:
Status: Det. EPICS:
Open/Close:
Delay: Open 0.000 Close 0.000
EPICS shutter setup:

Collect

Exposure time: 0.001 0.001
Acquire period: 0.010 0.010
Images: 5 5
Images complete: 41345
Exp./image: 1 1
Image mode:
Trigger mode:

Acquire:
active plugins: 1010
Wait for plugins:
Acquire busy:
Detector state:
Time remaining: 0.000
Image counter: 0 46252
Image rate: 100.00
Array callbacks:

Attributes

File:
Macros:
Status:

Buffers

Buffers used: 1018
Buffers alloc/free: 1048 30
Memory max/used (MB): 0.0 1222.0
Buffer & memory polling:

Readout

	X	Y
Sensor size	1024	1024
Binning	1	1
Region start	0	0
Region size	1024	1024
Reverse	No	No
Image size	1024	1024
Image size (bytes)	1048576	
Gain	1.000	1.000
Data type	<input type="button" value="UInt8"/>	<input type="button" value="UInt8"/>
Color mode	<input type="button" value="Mono"/>	<input type="button" value="Mono"/>

Simulation setup:

Plugins

Stats:

medm

Simulation Detector - 13SIM1:cam1

Setup

asyn port SIM1
EPICS name 13SIM1:cam1
Manufacturer Simulated detector
Model Basic simulator
Serial number No serial number
Firmware version No firmware
SDK version 2.7.0
Driver version 2.7.0
ADCore version 3.3.0
Connected
Connection
Debugging

Shutter

Shutter mode
Status: Det. EPICS
Open/Close
Delay: Open 0.000 Close 0.000
EPICS shutter setup

Collect

Exposure time 0.001 0.001
Acquire period 0.010 0.010
Images 5 5
Images complete 401882
Exp./image 1 1
Image mode Continuous
Trigger mode Internal

Readout

	X	Y
Sensor size	1024	1024
Binning	1	1
Region start	0	0
Region size	1024	1024
Reverse	No	No
Image size	1024	1024
Image size (bytes)	1048576	1048576
Gain	1.000	1.000
Data type	UInt8	UInt8
Color mode	None	Mono

Plugins

Stats

Attributes

File
Macros
Status

Buffers

Buffers used 1018
Buffers alloc/free 1048 30
Memory max/used (MB) 0.0 1216.0
Buffer & memory polling

caQtDM

Simulation Detector - 13SIM1:cam1

Setup

asyn port SIM1
EPICS name 13SIM1:cam1
Manufacturer Simulated detector
Model Basic simulator
Serial number No serial number
Firmware version No firmware
SDK version 2.7.0
Driver version 2.7.0
ADCore version 3.3.0
Connected
Connection
Debugging

Shutter

Shutter mode
Status: Det. EPICS
Open/Close
Delay: Open 0.000 Close 0.000
EPICS shutter-setup

Collect

Exposure time 0.001 0.001
Acquire period 0.010 0.010
Images 5 5
Images complete 65336
Exp./Image 1 1
Image mode Continuous
Trigger mode Internal

Readout

	x	y
Sensor size	1024	1024
Binning	1	1
Region start	0	0
Region size	1024	1024
Reverse	No	No
Image size	1024	1024
Image size (bytes)	1048576	1048576
Gain	1.000	1.000
Data type	UInt8	UInt8
Color mode	Mono	Mono

Plugins

Stats

Attributes

File
Macros
Status

Buffers

Buffers used 1020
Buffers alloc/free 1048 28
Memory max/used (MB) 0.0 1224.0
Buffer & memory polling

- caQtDM comes with a good adl to ui conversion tool, no changes needed

medm

edm

- adl2edl required changes for parallel make because it used a hardcoded temporary file name (where to push fix?)
- Quality of conversions is poor. adl2edl needs work.